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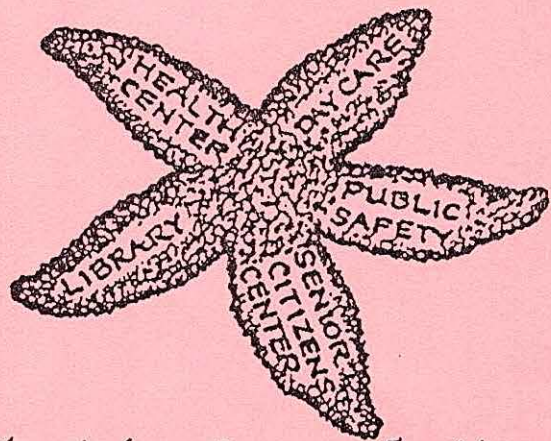
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Peaks Island STAR



Newsletter of the Island's Service Agencies & other Community News

August 2009

Volume 29

Issue 8

Calendar of Events

August

1	TEIA Annual Fair, Info: Jane 5891	10am-1:30pm
	TEIA Fair Dinner, \$15, Info: Stephanie	6:pm
	Family Film, 6 pm; Feature Film, 8 pm, FREE, Community Room	6, 8 pm
2	Pancake Breakfast, Lions Club at Greenwood Garden, \$6/\$3	8-11:30am
3	PEAT Monthly Meeting, 25 Crescent Avenue	6:30pm
3, 4	Lions Club Variety Show, Greenwood Garden, info: 2727	7pm
3 thru 7	Vacation Bible School, Brackett Church-Call 5013	3-6pm
4	First Tuesday Book Discussion, "Loving Frank", TEIA	7pm
5	Peaks Island Music Accociation, "Three Sopranos", Fifth Maine, \$5	8pm
8	Summer Fling Dance, TEIA, Info: Jean 2288	7:30pm
	Family Film, 6 pm; Feature Film, 8 pm, FREE, Community Room	6, 8 pm
9	Art on the Porch, Fifth Maine	9am-3pm
10	Senior's Pot Luck Luncheon, Fifth Maine, Open to All Island Seniors	12 noon
12	Fifth Maine Annual Meeting	6:15pm
	Armchair Tour of Peaks, "Scenes from Our Recent Past", Fifth Maine	7:30pm
13	Peaks Island Fund Annual Meeting, Zimmerman home, 16 City View Road	6:15pm
14	TEIA Annual Meeting (7:15pm), Social & Pot Luck	5:30pm
15	Peaks Island Council Dialogue Meeting, Community Center	10-noon
	Tour of Peaks Island Military Reservation, Fifth Maine, \$20, Resv: 3330	10am
	Family Film, 6 pm; Feature Film, 8 pm, FREE, Community Room	6, 8 pm
	New Camerata Singer, Brackett Church	7pm
17	Watercolor Workshop, Fifth Maine, \$30, Info: 2270	12:30pm
	CERT Monthly Meeting, Community Center, Info: 0007	6pm
18	Loaf & Ladle (Tax/Energy Assistance), Baptist Church, \$6/\$2.50	5-7pm
	Friends of Peaks Island Library, Three Peak's Authors Launch their Books	6:45pm
	Homestart Board Meeting, Fay Garman House	7pm
19	Peaks Island Chorale Concert, Music Association, Fifth Maine, \$5	8pm
21	Ladies Auxiliary Wacky, Tacky or Classy Auction, Legion Hall (preview 6pm)	7pm
	Open Mic Night at Brackett Church	7:30pm
22	Hazardous Waste Pickup at the Transfer Station	10am-1pm
	Family Film, 6 pm; Feature Film, 8 pm, FREE, Community Room	6, 8 pm
	Folk Concert, Jud Caswell & Rebecca Katz, Fifth Maine, \$10	8pm
24	PEAT, Maine's New Energy Policy, Talk by Jennifer Puser, Community Room	7:30pm
29	Family Film, 6 pm; Feature Film, 8 pm, FREE, Community Room	6, 8 pm
30	Pancake Breakfast, Fifth Maine, \$6/\$4	8-11am

Senior News

Peaks Island seniors met on Monday July 13th for their potluck luncheon. The meal was delicious as usual and the entrees were particularly great. It was wonderful to have new faces present at the luncheon. After the lunch, Nancy 3 entertained by playing the accordion. The theme of the presentation was International songs. We joined in on most of the songs. One great song was about the slugs on Peaks Island. We all had a great time. Thank you Nancy 3.

Nancy Hall was also present and she gave information about the island taxi. For seniors, low income and handicapped people there are vouchers that can be applied for. Applications can be provided from Nancy Hall, 766-2514, the bulletin board in the community building and at the Peaks Island library.

The next potluck luncheon will be held on Monday, August 10th at 12 noon at the 5th Maine Regiment Building. Please make a date to come. Bring an entrée or dessert. Enjoy the view and enjoy being with friends.

The Peaks Island Music Association

On Wednesday, August 5 at 8:00pm at the Fifth Maine, the Music Association will present "**The Three Sopranos**" featuring world-class operatic soprano Bonnie Bradley Bailey. Ms. Bailey has studied at Manhattan School of Music, Westminster Choir College, and in Salzburg, Austria and has sung at venues such as Lincoln Center, Carnegie Hall, Kennedy Center, and the National Cathedral. A frequent guest artist with orchestras and choruses around the world, her operatic repertoire consists of more than 30 roles performed to high critical acclaim. Ms. Bailey will be joined onstage by local favorites Farah Padamsee and Sophia Tobin. Ms. Padamsee was the 2008 winner of the Barbara Goelman Music Scholarship, and is fresh from intensive studies in Italy with Claudia Pinzo, Enza Ferrari, & Vivica Genaux. Ms. Tobin is a recent graduate of the renowned University of Maryland vocal studies program, and recently sang the National Anthem for a Serena Williams World Team Tennis event in Washington DC. The Three Sopranos will perform solos, duets, and trios - so come enjoy an amazing evening of opera, art, and traditional songs.

On Wednesday, August 19 at 8:00pm at the Fifth Maine, the 30-voice Peaks Island Chorale will perform "**Oh, Freedom!**" - a diverse program of music to include African freedom songs, traditional spirituals, works by Randall Thompson, G. F. Handel, G.P. Palestrina, Charles Gounod, John Rutter, Sweet Honey in the Rock, John Lennon, and Faith York. There will be a number of guest performers, and the 2009 Barbara Goelman Music Scholarship will also be awarded this evening. All Music Association events suggest a \$5.00 donation.

STAR OF THE SEA STUDIOS

The Peaks Island Lions Club will hold their annual variety show on Monday and Tuesday, August 3rd and 4th, at 7 pm in Greenwood Gardens. We are very happy to be part of this special show, their 60th anniversary. The island's favorite artists will perform. Don't miss it!

Our boutique will be open every day from 10 am to 5 pm, offering many hand knits, Lively Accent jewelry (a Maine product), T-shirts, costumes, spiritual needs, as well as gluten-free foods, All Natural breads from Berlin Natural Bakery.

Our island Dance Studio will open for a new season on Sunday, September 6, (Wednesday, September 9 at Riverton School). The Christmas show this year will be "Calendar Girl," one of our favorites. Call 766-2727 for information or to register.

We appreciate your support of our non-profit company that benefits the Maine Children's Cancer Programs and St. Jude's Hospital.

Musically Yours, Doreen & Company

Ladies Auxiliary Unit #142 News

Wacky, Tacky or Classy Auction

The Ladies Auxiliary have cleaned out the shed, gone through Grandma's attic, and are bringing back the Wacky, Tacky or Classy Auction. Please join us at the Legion Hall (Welch Street) on Friday, August 21st. The Auction will begin at 7:00 p.m. and items will be available for viewing at 6:00 p.m.

If you have any treasures that you would like to contribute, please contact Lisa Lynch at 939-2139 or Ellen Huston at 272-5725.

All proceeds benefit the **Ladies Auxiliary Past President's Scholarship Fund**

2009 Past President Scholarship Awards

The Ladies Auxiliary is pleased to announce the recipients of this year's Scholarship Awards:

Beatrice Byrne * Jeremy Hafner * Christopher Mayo * Echo Presgraves
Sophia Presgraves* Kate Radis * Molly Radis * Ella Shaw

Details will be mailed to the recipients in the near future and the scholarships will be awarded at the beginning of the second semester.

Best Wishes and Good Luck in your future endeavors.

T.E.I.A

Trefethen-Evergreen Improvement Association

Saturday, AUGUST 1st

ANNUAL T.E.I.A. FAIR*

Bring your family and friends and make a day of it!

Enjoy 'hot-off-the grill' hamburgers and hot dogs, feast on delicious lobster rolls from our kitchen.

Stroll through a wide variety of gift tables, plus the always famous white elephant tables.....
choose from an incredible selection of fresh baked goods, try your luck on our many raffle items,
or better yet, place a bid on a unique selection of silent auction items

There is **SOMETHING** for **EVERYONE** at the Fair!!!

(even a moon bounce for the kids!)

Live Auction and Fair Dinner begins at 6pm

Reserve your place now, Contact Stephanie at 2254 \$15/person

*** Attention !!! New fair hours are 10:00 am 'til 1:30 pm!!!!!!!**

Congratulations to TEIA scholarship winners, Lily (Lila) R. Kole-Berlingieri, a recent Casco Bay High School graduate who will be attending Marlboro College and studying photojournalism and Mark Kinner, a Portland High School graduate who will be attending NorthWestern University and studying engineering and languages.

- **August 8, 7:30 pm Summer Fling Dance**

Check out our website at www.teiaclub.org or stop by and see Kevin Rollins for information on programs for sailing, tennis, kids' camps, bridge nights, tennis tournaments and much more!!!

Peaks Island Health Center

www.peakshealth.org 87 Central Avenue PO Box 52 207-766-2929 www.intermed.com

InterMed Office Hours:

Tuesdays and Fridays, 9:30 am to 2:30 pm, Lois Tiedeken, ANP

Wednesdays: 10am to 4:00 pm, Kitty Gilbert, FNP

Welcome back to our Summer residents. If you have any questions about how to coordinate your care here with your physician back home, please call the Health Center for information. The Health Center accepts most major insurers.

Lois Tiedeken, a Peaks Island resident and Adult Nurse Practitioner, will be at the Health Center on Tuesdays and Fridays. Wednesdays are now regularly staffed by **Kitty Gilbert**, who, as a Family Nurse Practitioner, can treat children as well as adults. Of special interest to adults, Kitty has had specialty training in both Occupational Therapy and Gynecology.

When the Health Center is closed, please call **911** for medical emergencies. For non-acute illnesses, if you use the Health Center for your primary care provider, call Dr Kristy Pulsifer at **874-1489** or your assigned Primary Care Physician.

Thanks to all who contributed to the success of this year's annual 4th of July "**Clam Shell Race**" and raffle, including all the members of the Board and their families and friends who worked before and during the event to keep things running smoothly. And hats off to Dr. Chuck Radis who is very much the heartbeat of the Clam Shell Race!

Peaks Island Fund August 2009

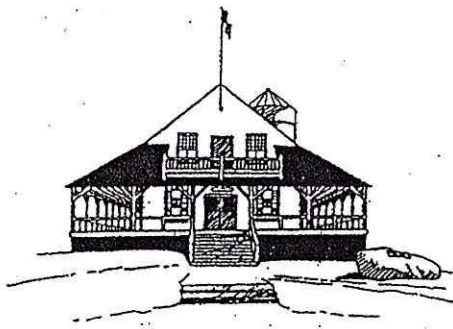
The Peaks Island Fund has received a record seventeen applications for grants from this summer's award cycle. Decisions will be made on funding over the next few weeks and will be announced at the annual meeting on August 13, 2009 at the Zimmerman home at 16 City View Road. The annual meeting activities will begin at 6:15 PM and the community is invited to attend.

Thanks to the generosity of island residents, The Peaks Island Fund Summer 2009 Awards will exceed \$38,000. Any community residents and visitors interested in contributing to the fund may consult our website at www.peaksislandfund.org or send checks to:

**Peaks Island Fund
c/o Maine Community Foundation
One Monument Way, Suite 200
Portland, ME 04101**

The PIF is always anxious to have your opinions on emerging needs of the island that might be considered for grants in the future. Please consider including the Peaks Island Fund in your estate planning.

The Peaks Island Fund connects people who care with causes that matter.



FIFTH MAINE REGIMENT MUSEUM
P.O. Box 41
Peaks Island, Maine 04108

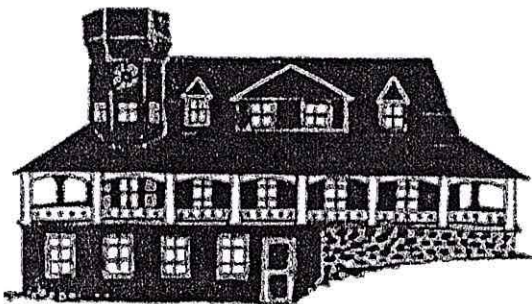
(207) 766-3330 • fifthmaine@juno.com

During WWII the Peaks Island Military Base was the largest and most important base in Casco Bay. Join us for a two-hour **guided walking tour of the Peaks military reservation** on Saturday August 15 at 10 am. Discover the legacy of the island's role during the war. The tour is limited to 30 people by reservation. Tickets are \$20 per person. For reservations call 766-3330.

We'll be hosting our first **Watercolor Workshop** on Monday August 17 from 12:30 – 3:30 pm. Artist/art educator Tory Tyler Millar will be on hand to provide instruction and tips on creating beautiful works of art with watercolor. Participants are asked to bring their own brushes. The workshop fee is \$30 per person and is limited to 15 participants. To register, please call Tory at 766-2270.

The Fifth Maine has received the **Connecting to Collections Bookshelf** award from the Institute for Museum and Library Services (IMLS). The Bookshelf is a core set of conservation books and online resources awarded to small to medium size museums nationwide in cooperation with the American Association for State and Local History. It is a crucial component of *Connecting to Collections: A Call to Action*, a conservation initiative that the Institute launched in 2006. The IMLS Bookshelf focuses on collections typically found in art or history museums and in libraries' special collections, with an added selection of texts for zoos, aquaria, public gardens, and nature centers. It addresses such topics as the philosophy and ethics of collecting, collections management and planning, emergency preparedness, and culturally specific conservation issues.

The museum is open Monday thru Friday 12 noon to 4 pm and Saturday and Sunday 11 am to 4 pm through Labor Day. Do stop by to view our exhibits or just take in the view from our porch!



THE EIGHTH MAINE REGIMENT

A Living History Museum & Lodge on Lower Ryefield Street

eighthmainehost@att.net

207-766-5086

www.8thmaine.com

Despite fog, rain and recession, the number of people taking our guided tours has been remarkably steady. The annual show by our Eighth Maine Artists' Group went well, and we were pleased to participate in the Annual Peaks Island House Tour sponsored by T.E.I.A.

We look forward to the remainder of the season and the continued opportunity to contribute the Peaks economy via our museum as well as our lodging, which remains the largest on the island.

HOMESTART

Do you have questions about HOMESTART or affordable housing? Are you interesting in helping out? Please call or email a board member. Community members are invited to the August 18th HOMESTART Board meeting at the Fay Garman House at 7 pm.

As HOMESTART moves forward in examining the possibilities at 18 Luther Street, the Board invites neighbors to participate in a community advisory committee. If you are interested, please contact a board member or Casco Bay Island Fellow, Mary Terry.

Take a look at web page for updates! The site can be found at: <http://peaksislandhomestart.org/>. Information is also available in the Library.

Peaks Island residents interested in offering affordable housing rental or purchase opportunities may contact a board member or Mary Terry, Casco Bay Island Institute Fellow at 221-2507 or marykterry@gmail.com.

CERT Training/Recruiting Continues

Welcome to our Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) monthly meeting at 6 PM Monday, August 17th at the Community Center. This meeting will include additional training by members of the Portland Fire Department. Islanders who would like more about CERT should contact Al Bleau at 766-0007 or other team members.

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Casco Bay Lines Elections

Four seats on the Casco Bay Island Transit District Board of Directors are up for election this November. They are directors representing Peaks, Long, and Chebeague as well as an At Large Director.

Nominating papers are available at the Ferry Terminal and must be returned by August 23rd.

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August at the Peaks Island Branch Library

in the Community Building

766-5540

email peaks@portland.lib.me.us

Hours Open: Tues 2-8 Wed 10-4 Fri 10-2 Sat 8-12

As you scan down the page, the five names in **bold print** are Peaks Island authors who have new publications and whom you will have a chance to see within the next six weeks.

Please Come: The Friends of the Peaks Island Branch Library will have their annual meeting on Tuesday, August 18, at 6:45 pm. The program, "Casting Off: Three Peaks Authors Launch their Books" will feature **James Hayman** (*The Cutting*), **Christopher Hoppin** (*Same Date of Rank*) and **Catherynne Valente** (*Palimpsest*). All of these books are available for previewing at the library

Another Chance: On August 6 at 7 pm, Peaks Islander **Robert Greenfield** will have a reading and book signing at Longfellow Books uptown for his newest book, *A Day in the Life: One Family, The Beautiful People, and the End of the Sixties*. Bob was unable to attend for the Friends program, but this is a chance to hear him. Bob's work is on the Peaks Island Authors/Illustrators shelf. His newest book is available for borrowing.

First Tuesdays Book Discussion will meet at the TEIA clubhouse, August 4 at 7 pm to discuss *Loving Frank*, a novel about Frank Lloyd Wright by Nancy Horan. For the September meeting, Peaks Island Author **Janice Minott** will be present for a discussion of her book, *Letters From Kabul, 1966-1968, a Memoir*. So that Janice can be present, the meeting has been moved to the second Tuesday, September 8, at 7 pm, in the Community Room. Call (766-5540) or email (peaks@portland.lib.me.us) the library to reserve a book. Please include your library card number.



Saturday Night Movies in August



Free in the Community Room – Sponsored by the Friends of the Peaks Island Library

August	6 PM	August	8 PM
1	<i>Charlotte's Web</i> (2006) G, 97 min	1	<i>Gran Torino</i> (2008) R, 115 min
8	<i>Bolt</i> (2008) PG, 96 min	8	<i>Star Trek: the Motion Picture</i> (1979) PG, 143 min
15	<i>Nausiccaa</i> (1984) PG, 116 min	15	<i>Starman</i> (1993) PG, 115 min
22	Clay-mation Bonanza! – 3 movies: <i>Frog and Toad Are Friends</i> ; <i>The Mouse and the Motorcycle</i> ; <i>Grand Day Out</i> (NR)	22	<i>Iron Jawed Angels</i> (2004) NR, 120 min
29	<i>Tarzan</i> (1999) G, 88 min	29	<i>The Barbarian Invasions</i> (2003), R, 99 min

Friends of the Peaks Island Branch Library

A huge **THANK YOU** to all who made this year's *Book Sale* our best year ever. Thanks to the volunteers, the new and renewing members, those who donated books, and to all who purchased them. This is a great community event, supported by the wonderful Peaks Island community. The *Friends of the Peaks Island Branch Library* Board Members are grateful to all of you who made this event interesting, successful, and so much fun! We could not have done it without you! See you next year!

PEAKS ISLAND CHILDREN'S WORKSHOP, 71 Herman Ave., 766-2854

Summer hours: 8am-5pm

Summer at the Workshop has been fun and creative! Waterplay, sports, island history and more! We've just finished an exciting week with an artist in residence, Jude Valentine, working in collaboration with islander Patricia Erikson, taking photographs, making paper and prints, and exploring island history at the 5th Maine. The culminating art show was phenomenal! We've got some amazing aspiring artists and photographers in our midst!

A special thanks also to our alums Annika Erikson, Nirmala Young and Daisy Braun who are serving as junior Rovers' counselors this summer! We love having you back!

THANK YOU for supporting Kimberly's Travel's Boutique Clothing sale in July. A portion of the proceeds benefitted the Workshop.

Bottle Drive - from Memorial Day-Labor Day the Peaks Island Children's Workshop will be collecting redeemable bottles. Please call Christina Foster at 221-3445 or Alice Kennedy at 766-0966 for bottle pick-ups. There will also be a barrel for returnables in back of the Workshop through the back gate.

PEAKS ISLAND COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

M-F, 7:30am-6pm, and the first Saturday of each month.
The food pantry is well-stocked and open to the entire community!
(Located at the Workshop, 71 Herman Ave.)

Assistance and deliveries available by contacting:

-The Workshop, 766-2854	-St. Christopher's Parish, 766-2585
-Pastor Desi Larson 766-5013	-Pastor Beau Boyle, 766-3037

THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATIONS!!

THANK YOU to Anonymous I and Anonymous II for their very kind and generous donations to the STAR. And thank you to all who bring their articles so faithfully, month after month, and for all the volunteers who organize, paste up, photocopy and distribute the STAR. You keep the STAR going and the STAR keeps us all going.

DEADLINE FOR NEXT MONTH'S STAR: Tuesday, August 25, by 6 pm, please. Bring your articles, copy-ready, to the library. The calendar is only for July and August, so no need to list items for that.

Want to Keep in Touch All Year?

If you would like to have the STAR mailed to you starting in September, please bring or mail \$8 with your name and mailing address to the library, 129 Island Avenue, Peaks Island, Maine 04108. Checks should be made out to the Peaks Island STAR. Your subscription will run September 2009 through June 2010. We do not mail the STAR in July and August.

BRACKETT MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Open Hearts, Open Doors, Open Minds

We are a Welcoming, Inclusive, Reconciling Congregation

3 Church Street, Peaks Island, Maine, email: brackettmumc@yahoo.com

The Rev. Desi Larson, Pastor; Laura Glendening, Administrative Assistant

Phone: 207-766-5013 On the Internet: www.brackettmumc.org

Sunday Worship - 9 a.m., with Childcare



Weekly Events in August

Tuesday Morning Study: Spiritual Direction: "Christian Pilgrimage", 10 a.m., at the Parsonage.

This study explores the Psalms in light of our own spiritual journeys.

Wonderful Wednesdays Thrift Shop - 2-5 p.m. in the Vestry. Find incredible bargains! Share a talent or gift!

Prayer Shawl Ministry, Thursdays 1 -3 p.m. Meeting at the parsonage, 9 Church Ave, 766-5013.

All are welcome! For more info contact Ann 766-2636 or Rebecca 653-9093.

Thursday Eve Taizé Worship - 7 p.m. Join us Thursday evenings, August 13 and 27, for quiet, low-key worship with candlelight, silence, prayers, gentle music, and ecumenical readings.

Special Events in August

Vacation Bible School August 3-7; 3-6 p.m. Come share wonderful stories, crafts, music and more. All children ages 4-12 welcome!! Please call 766-5013 to register for the week or just a few days!

New Camerata Singers, Saturday, August 15, 7:00 p.m. at Brackett Memorial UMC

Open Mic and Dessert Nite, Friday, August 21, 7:30 p.m. Bring your stories, your music, your poetry, and your appetites and enjoy a fun-filled evening! Contact Bill Hinderer for more info 766-2636.

HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHAPEL

Holy Trinity Episcopal Chapel services are held each Sunday morning at the Brackett Memorial United Methodist Church. We welcome ALL to join us for 10:15 AM Holy Communion Services. Our clergy for August will be:

August 2, 9, & 16 – The Reverend Robert Hooper from St. James Church, West Hartford CT.

August 23 – The Reverend David Illingworth, Portland, ME

August 30 – The Reverend James Low, Saco, ME

Thursday, August 6th, Bishop Stephen Lane will join us for a potluck supper at 4 PM at the 5th Maine Regiment Museum.

Thank you to the Peaks Island community for your continuing support of our sale and basket raffle.

St. Christopher's Catholic Church

Pastor: Father Louis Philipps 773-7746

Sunday Masses at 8:15 and 10 AM for the summer

Sacraments: Baptism, Reconciliation & Marriage: Call Father Lou.

The Annual Parish Fair was a huge success! Thanks to all!

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PEAKS ISLAND TAX ASSISTANCE

August is here and City of Portland Property Tax bills will be coming soon. Peaks Island Tax Assistance (PITA) is prepared to help Islanders whose permanent residence is on Peaks with their property tax bills. Our tax assistance applications will be at the Library, Health Center and the Peaks Cafe. The application deadline is September 9. Our clergy who assist with applications for the PITA Sam McCain Fund are: Pastor Beau Boyle, Pastor Desi Larson, and Retired Ministers, Shep Johnson, and Ruth Williamson.

PITA continues to raise funds to help our neighbors. Our mission statement explains our challenge: "Because Peaks Island is a community that values its diversity, concern was widespread that the tax increases would cause considerable stress for senior citizens and others living on fixed incomes, as well as the young families that keep our school filled with children. " We are trying to keep our island affordable for those who live here for those who want to live here. If you would like to help us with our fund-raising activities, please contact one of the members.

SOS: Our sandwich board, which was DownFront at the Bulletin board, is lost. Please call Cynthia (766-0067) or Jane (766-5854) if you know where it may be.

Jane Adams, Ralph Ashmore, Michelle Boyle, Diane Clark, Joyce Doane, Christina Foster, Jane Gerard, Betty Heller, Sandra Lucas, Judith McAllister, Cynthia Pedlikin, Howard Pedlikin, Cathy Shaw, Teresa Shull, Doug Smith, Helene Swarts

Peaks Island Tax Assistance - Energy Assistance (PITA-EA) is preparing for another long cold winter. Since our inception in January of 2008 our group of 15 present members plus 5 alumni has raised \$20,661 for Energy Assistance. We have provided \$12,295.75 in energy assistance for 38 island households. PITA-EA would like to thank everyone who has: attended one of our Loaf and Ladle Dinners; donated to or shopped at our yard sales; made a direct donation to PITA-EA; or has contributed in kind to the fund by donating food for the Loaf and Ladle or time and energy to help us with fundraising.

The predictions for fuel costs are high this winter. The best way to help Islanders is to provide Energy audits to as many households as possible and to help to weatherize all year-round Island homes. PITA-EA began last year with 6 energy audits and 14 weatherization kits. For 2009-2010 our hope is to provide at least 12 energy audits and to begin a program for helping with weatherization. The end result will be reduced energy costs. Our goal requires fundraising and volunteers to do this job.

With all of this in mind, Energy Assistance is working hard to meet our fundraising requirements. We are selling raffle tickets for prizes valued from \$15 to \$350. We are in front of Hannigan's every Sat. and Sunday through August 15th. Drawings will be Tuesday, August 18th at our Mexican Fiesta Loaf and Ladle Dinner. If you attended last year's dinner or you tasted Georgia Gillette's Mexican Dip in July, you know just how talented our cooks (PITA members and friends) are. The dinner is held at the Peaks Island Baptist Church hall from 5-7 p.m. and costs \$6 for an adult and \$2.50 for each child.

Applications for Energy Audits and/or Energy Assistance are on the bulletin board at the Peaks Island Library. Please contact one of our clergy for Energy Assistance.

Members of Peaks Island Tax Assistance and Energy Assistance

PEAKS ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION TEAM

We're gradually solving the kinks and pitfalls of maintaining seven new recycling bins down front, but could use help from all islanders in helping everyone to understand the necessity of keeping trash out of them. Please remind folks if you see them failing to distinguish between the bins for bottles & cans and their neighboring trash containers! Thanks to all of you who have enthusiastically adopted this new method of keeping glass & plastics out of the stream of island trash, and thanks also to the non-profit organizations who have worked to empty them. Their efforts have earned cash for the Community Garden, the Children's Workshop and the Legion's scholarship fund. If your group wishes to participate, call Mary Anne Mitchell (766-5152).

At 7:30 PM on August 24th in the community room, the Peaks Wind Group of PEAT is sponsoring a talk by islander Jennifer Puser of the Maine Office of Energy Independence and Security. Jennifer will give us a snapshot of legislation passed this spring that relates to energy efficiency policy and alternative energy. In addition, we will share the latest developments in our effort to test the wind resource on Peaks Island. Come with your questions and an open mind!

Congratulations to Ruth Williamson's granddaughter, Eliza Richardson, for her winning entry in this year's Clothesline Photo Show. To see her clothesline and all the others, go to our website: www.greenerpeaks.org.

Peaks Island Council Notes

The following are the times and places for upcoming meetings and workshops:

August 12, 2009 Workshop – 6:30 PM @ Community Center

August 15, 2009 Public Dialogue- 10 AM @ Community Center

August 26, 2009 Regular Meeting – 6:30 PM @ Community Center

The Island Council's website is: <http://www.peaksislandcouncil.info/> For those without computer access, the same information is available in the Library.

Mark the date of Saturday, August 22nd for the annual Hazardous Waste Pickup at the Transfer Station between 10am and 1pm. This is the opportunity for islanders to clean out their accumulated used oil and paint cans and other hazardous materials.

The Public Dialogue is your opportunity to come and speak with the Island Councilors. There is no agenda and any topic of interest to you is open for discussion. It's your opportunity to catch up on what's going on or make your opinions known to the Councilors.

The election for seats on the Peaks Island Council will be held on Tuesday, November 3rd. Nomination papers are currently available from the City Clerk's Office and must be returned no later than August 24th with no less than 50 or more than 100 signatures of registered Peaks Island voters. Two seats are for one year due to Bob Hurley and Mike Langella not being able to complete their terms and two seats are for the full three year term. This is your chance to contribute your talents to the community we all love.

AUGUST ACTIVITIES on PEAKS ISLAND

Sponsored by Portland Recreation and Facilities Management Department

To reserve space and/or equipment in the Community Building, you must contact Denise at least two days in advance. Please plan ahead as Denise works part-time on the island – on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays. Best way to contact Denise is via email at dln@portlandmaine.gov. Phone messages may be left at 766-2970. If you don't receive a return call, please try again.

Thanks to all who donated their time (and their blood) for the 2009 annual Peaks Island Blood Drive. Despite the cold and rainy day we had, twenty nine people came, with 21 pints of blood collected. The donors included 7 (!) first-time blood donors, a 16 year old, and people from as far away as San Francisco and South Carolina.

Next year will be the year we meet our goal of 35 pints of blood collected!

ISLAND HAPPENINGS

Sign-up sheets on Denise's door in com. bldg.

FIRST MONDAY FUN (preschoolers and adults)

Be creative, act silly and have fun with your little one(s).

Monday, August 3 11:00 am – 12:00 noon.

AFTERNOONS at the MOVIES (open to all)

Monday, August 10 2:00 pm at PI com. bldg

Babe – the loveable talking piglet (G) 92 minutes

Thursday, August 20 1:00 pm at PI com. bldg

The Night at the Museum (PG) 1hr. 48 minutes

"MYSTERY" TEA on PEAKS ISLAND (adults)

Join us for an hour of socializing at a "mystery" location

Thursday, August 13 1:00 pm/meet at com. bldg.

BINGO – open to all

Enjoy a few games of BINGO – along with the chance to win some great (and not-so-great) prizes!

Monday, August 17 10:45–11:45am/com. bldg

OPEN HOUSE" – open to all

This month's "Open House" will be a Bring and Brag/Show and Tell session. Stop by the community room and share a hand-made craft or momento with others. You'll feel proud when others say "YOU'VE GOT TALENT!"

Friday, August 21 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

AROUND the WORLD in 80 MINUTES! (all ages)

Visit a variety of countries in one day! Bring your lunch if you would like to stay for both sessions.

Monday, August 24 PI community building

11 – 12 noon Denise in Egypt, Turkey, Switzerland, etc

1:00 pm Mary Ann Sanford in Antarctica

BREAKFAST at the COCK-EYED GULL (adults)

Enjoy a leisurely breakfast while overlooking the bay.

Friday, August 28 8:30 am/meet at The Gull

LUNCH at PEAKS ISLAND HOUSE (adults)

No. Andover (MA) Sr. Ctr. members will be making their annual trip to PI. Join us for a late lunch & socializing.

Thursday, September 3 1:00 pm/meet at PI House

PING PONG TUESDAYS (adults)

Drop by the community room between 2:00 – 4:00 pm

PING PONG THURSDAYS (school-age children)

Have fun while picking up playing & "etiquette" tips.

Thursdays – August 6, 13 and 20 11:00–12:00 noon

ON-GOING EXERCISE PROGRAMS ON PI

These exercise programs are open to all adults.

Please call Denise at 766-2970 to check on availability.

Walk Program: Mondays and Thursdays

8:15 am – meet at PI Community Center

Low-Impact Aerobics w/weights: Mondays and Thursdays

9:30 – 10:30 am at PI Community Center

OFF-ISLAND TRIPS FOR THOSE 55 +

A reminder regarding off-island trips. Calendars are sent out by the main office of Portland Recreation. August calendars are on Denise's bulletin board, along with the wait list sign-up sheets. September activities will be mailed by mid-August. All registrations must go through the Cummings Center, 134 Congress St., Suite #2, 04101. FMI, leave message for Katy or Norma at 874-8870.

Free Museum Pass

The Peaks Island Branch Library has a free pass to the Portland Museum of Art that can be "checked out" by library card holders. The pass is good for a specific day and may be reserved ahead of time. It will admit 2 adults and up to 6 children. Questions? Come into the library, email (peaks@portland.lib.me.us) or phone us, 5540.